

Annual Report
2021

educate **FAMILY-BASED** **stronger** **HANDS-ON**
RALLY fantastic *hope* *communication* **GREAT**
EXCELLENT *creative* *abilities* **OVERCOME**
there is no comparison **helpful** *independent* *disability team*
RECUPERATE *pleasant* *compassion* *honesty* **LOVE**
exceptional **virtual** *home-based* **RECOVERY**
patience *knowledgeable* *heart* **DEDICATION**
 strong **heart** *rebounding* **DEDICATION**
 ♥ Cerebral Palsy Association
 support **SINCERITY** *professional* **children**
MEND *Quality of Life* *rejuvenate* **NEEDS** **HEAL**
 awesome *triumphant* *prevail* **HEAL**
TRANSITION ♥ **caring** **perfection**
irrepressible *listens* **Thank you!** *always ready*

OUR MISSION IS TO:

Enhance the abilities and support the independence of people with Cerebral Palsy and other disabilities throughout their lives.

Our vision is an accessible community where every child has educational success, developmental growth and where adults with disabilities participate in and live as independently as possible.

In fiscal year 2020-2021, services were provided to over 650 people with disabilities and we supported over an additional 1100 family members.

2020-2021 FINANCIAL DATA

Total Support and Revenue	\$1,666,898.00
Total Expenses	\$1,477,889.00
CHANGE IN NET ASSETS	\$189,009.00

Early Intervention Program

Our **Early Intervention Program** provides comprehensive services to children, birth to three with delays in development, physical and developmental disabilities. Parents receive training, education, coaching, support and guidance to help their child succeed and promote healthy development in all areas.

Offering extraordinary service enhancements that go above and beyond the scope of the state funded EI services!

- ◆ *The Children's program makes available to all children a comprehensive assistive toy and technology library.*
- ◆ *Infant massage, Therapy Taping and Feeding Specialties!*
- ◆ *Seating and mobility support and adaptations*
- ◆ *Infant Mental Health and Trauma informed Therapy*

Program Outcomes and Success:

1 out of every 3 children "tested-out" of the program, not needing further support

We provided all services regardless of the methods and quickly went back to home visits when it was safe!



305 children served throughout the year with 6,000+ hours of Early Intervention sessions being provided (Special Instruction, Nursing Consultation, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy and Speech Pathology)

Over half of our services were provided through "Tele-intervention" during the pandemic.

WE GOT AN "A" (Early Intervention Program Quality Evaluation) TOP STAR RATING!

Adult Services and Community Social Services

Our **Adult and CSS Program** provide services to people with disabilities over the age of 18 so they can remain as independent as possible. Our focus is on persons with physical, medical disabilities and brain injury.

Nursing Home Transition Services are provided for individuals with disabilities who wish to move from a Nursing home back to the community.

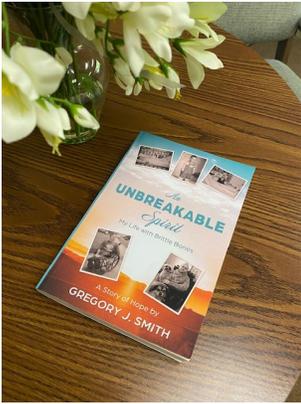
- ◆ *Independent living philosophy & Person Centered Planning*
- ◆ *Social Work and Case Management services*
- ◆ *Family Support*
- ◆ *Nursing Home Transition Services*
- ◆ *Information and referral and Options Counseling*
- ◆ *Client assistance grants for assistive technology*
- ◆ *Service coordination agency for the Office of Long Term Living*
- ◆ *OBRA and ACT 150 waiver provider*

Program Statistics:

- ◆ 348 people with disabilities were served this year
- ◆ Over 3000 hours of Social Work and home visits were provided
- ◆ For 15 individuals with disabilities, we secured housing, benefits and supports so they could move from a nursing rehabilitation facility back to their homes in the community.

Community Social Services (CSS) which is funded privately by the organization utilizing grants and donations. CSS provided 205 people with services that included: information and referral, social work services, options counseling, advocacy, an accessibility adaptations team, client assistance grants for assistive technology and **Storytellers**, a group for adults with disabilities.

100% of adults with disabilities in our program live in the community and continue to avert a nursing home placement.



STORYTELLERS are a group of 30 artists and writers from our adult community who meet virtually now to share their experiences. You can see and read some of their work at: <http://storytellersatcpa.wordpress.com/>

“The second Wednesday of every month, our group is filled with exceptional creativity and talent, love, laughter and healing.”

Looking for an inspirational read...

CONGRATULATIONS TO GREGORY J. SMITH, one of our Storytellers members who published his book: “An Unbreakable Spirit” My Life with Brittle Bones.

Did you know...

- ◆ *If you have a disability or are newly disabled, we can help you access and understand supports that may be available to you in Chester County and the suburbs.*
- ◆ *We loan or give disability related equipment that is either new or gently used for short or long term needs!*
- ◆ *We offer disability related services at the United Way of Chester County and Careerlink’s Financial Stability Center.*
- ◆ *To support the new virtual world, we provided donated computers or tablets to over 20 people with disabilities and parents!*
- ◆ *We provided PPE to our adults with disabilities and ensured their safety!*
- ◆ *We provided a “pop up” program called Remotely Social encouraging our adult community to share their experiences on social media!*
- ◆ ***Our Staff is 100% vaccinated!***

THIS ANNUAL REPORT HONORS all of the parents, families and individuals who we serve! Their honesty, flexibility and determination to strive for growth and independence during a pandemic energized all of us!

A Special THANK YOU...

To all of our dedicated program Staff who continued to work every day during difficult circumstances providing care and service to our children, families and adults WE THANK YOU!

To our administrative employees who literally kept the lights on, answered the phone and paid the bills. WE THANK YOU!

And, to our Board of Directors that supported the organization during this challenging year with additional efforts, advice and guidance. WE THANK YOU!

You are all the heart and soul of our organization!

PARENT quotes:

♥ My son's speech therapist did an amazing job with educating and teaching us skills to be able to work with his verbal delays and feeding difficulties. ♥ I liked the open communication with our speech therapist, the tools that she offered us during sessions, ability to transfer skills and offer insights into how to apply skills in between sessions. ♥ My son's therapist helped us with offering guidance on services and supports he will continue to need to address his delays during his IEP meeting. ♥ We used zoom for our telehealth sessions and my son did surprisingly well and was able to actively engage in sessions for the full time (as he did during in person sessions). ♥ I attribute my child's improvement to our occupational therapist (OT), and her incredible support and guidance that she has provided from the beginning. From helping my daughter push through sensory issues, to the constant feeding issues, as well as support with hygiene activities, our OT has been nothing short of incredible.

ADULT Program comments:

♥ You all have always been there for us. ♥ My Social Worker is wonderful. She is kind and shows me respect and is a good listener. She is very responsive & always find answers to my questions. ♥ My Nursing Home Transition Coordinator was an inspiration, she opened up a new society to me. There are no words to express to you how grateful I am. We had many laughs and crossroads, she gently guided me through. She worked endlessly, each and every time calling to follow up. I want to thank you for employing someone who generally cares and gave me A HIGHER QUALITY OF LIFE! ♥ I really like the monthly storytellers group and the people I've met. ♥ My SC, has been very helpful and I know that she cares about me. She always answers my questions and addresses any problems quickly. ♥ I have been very happy with the service coordination provided through CPA. ♥ We have a wonderful coordinator. She is great & responsive. ♥ Even though my former Social Worker is retired she volunteers now and still comes to my home to straighten things out on my computer. She is an angel. Thank you for being there for me. ♥ You are always ready to help me. My NHT coordinator is wonderful! ♥ You are all awesome and very responsive. Love CPA, feel well taken care of. ♥ Our Social Worker is very knowledgeable, proactive, and genuinely caring. Readily accessible and supportive. ♥ Thank you for all your support!!

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